

**New Hampshire Department of Justice**  
**2006 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Application Quick Facts Sheet**

**Allowable Funding Areas**

VOCA is a Federal grant program that targets funding for agencies providing direct services to victims of crime. First time applications for VOCA funding must be for new programs and/or the expansion of existing programs and cannot be used to sustain existing program activities.

Allowable personnel activities include direct services to victims, program outreach, the training of direct victim service providers that work for VOCA funded agencies, and mental health services.

Unallowable personnel activities include general administration, prevention, needs assessments, focus groups, lobbying, participation in multi-disciplinary meetings/task forces, substance abuse treatment services, and services to inmates even if they are victimized as a result of their incarceration.

**Match Requirement**

There is a Cash and/or In-Kind match requirement of 25% of the Federal dollars.

**Eligibility**

Eligible applicants are nonprofit and faith-based organizations with a record of providing direct services to victims of crime. Police departments, sheriffs' offices, county attorney offices and the NH Department of Corrections are eligible to apply for victim advocate positions. Small law enforcement jurisdictions are invited to apply for an advocate position to be shared among multiple departments.

**Funding Plan and Cycles**

Successful nonprofit and faith based agency applicants will receive a VOCA subgrant for the period from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007. Assuming no problems with program performance and/or the availability of Federal VOCA funds, funding for two (2) additional, one-year VOCA subgrants will be made up to the amount of the initial year's award.

Successful governmental agency applicants (non-State) will receive a VOCA subgrant for the period from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007. Assuming no problems with program performance and/or the availability of Federal VOCA funds, funding for three (3) additional, one-year VOCA subgrants will be made. The second year's funding level will be up to the amount of the initial year's award. The third year's funding level will be up to two thirds (2/3's) of the amount of the initial award. The fourth and final year's funding level will be up to one third (1/3) of the amount of the initial award. This method of establishing programs in governmental agencies and gradually weaning them off the federal funding has been successful in starting and eventually sustaining new programs in governmental agencies and frees up funding to start other programs.

**Deadlines**

**Letter of Intent Deadline: Friday, March 24, 2006 @ 4 PM.** May be submitted by mail, fax or email and must include a brief description of the proposed program.

**Application Deadline: Friday, April 28, 2006 @ 4 PM (received, not postmarked).**

Applicants must submit the original plus one copy by mail or hand delivery. Please include any letters of support for your program with your application package.

Please direct questions to Gary Palmer at 271-7820 or [gary.palmer@doj.nh.gov](mailto:gary.palmer@doj.nh.gov). An application kit is available at: <http://doj.nh.gov/grants/application.html>.